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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

As a consulting software engineer who works from home I rely on high speed internet to run my business. I have been with Sonic Internet for a number of years both for my phone and internet connectivity. I am currently using their DSL offering but will be switching to fiber once they finish installing it in my neighborhood. One thing to note is that neither AT&T or Verizon is offering fiber in my area. Sonic is offering symmetrical 1GB service at an extremely reasonable price.. The only other UNE in my area is LMi.net which is offering fiber but with only 600 MB asymmetrical for the same price.

Without the competition of Sonic and LMi.net I would be stuck with whatever slow, expensive DSL that AT&T and Verizon would grudging offer. I say grudging because both AT&T and Verizon have been promising for years to bring fiber to my area, have taken tax breaks and rate hikes with the promise to install fiber but have NEVER followed through. Sonic has followed through. This is what competition looks like. If you really care about competition in the market place you will tell USTelecom no and keep this rule in place.

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